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WEDNESDAY, JULY 24, 1918.

The Army Medical department has developed a mobile X-ray outfit to be carried on the standard army ambulance to the front-line trench for the benefit of wounded soldiers. It is desired by army surgeons to lose no time in ascertaining the extent and conditions of wounds. The outfit is made up of the Delce gas-electric set, the high tension transformer and the special type of Coolidge tube.

Don't miss seeing Pershing's Crusaders," the boys who are doing things "over there," at the Empress theater Belding on Wednesday, July 31, afternoon and evening; seven thousand five hundred feet of actual scenes of our boys here and over there. Proceeds accruing go for the benefit of the dependents of Michigan boys who are in the army and navy; shown under auspices of the Michigan War Preparedness board.

Good News For Express Employees. The increase in express rates recently granted by the interstate commerce commission makes it possible to immediately revise the wage schedules of the American Railway Express Co.

President Taylor of the new company says that he has been in session with his chief operating officials and that they will begin immediately a readjustment of the wage schedules of the larger number of express employees throughout the entire country and that it is the intention of the new company to utilize substantially the entire revenue accruing from the increased rates that will be available to the express company in an advance in wages. It will be appreciated that with such an enormous organization throughout the entire country it will necessarily take some little time to work out the increases in a systematic and equitable manner. It is hoped this entire question can be disposed of within a period of 30 days. However, the employees will not suffer in consequence of this delay inasmuch as all increases when announced will be made to take effect from July 1, 1918. None of this money will be used to increase the salaries of the higher-paid men or the officials of the company. The additional revenue accruing from the increased rates will be distributed upon the basis of doing the greatest good to the largest number. It is hoped that the use of this money exclusively for the purpose of increasing the salaries of express workers will encourage them to do everything possible to insure an improved service to the public.

Maxwell on Coast to Coast Trip. San Francisco, July 22.—The first motor truck to start across the continent laden with military supplies en route from Australia to France, left the Golden Gate July 17 for New York city via the Lincoln Highway. The ocean to ocean haul is being made by a Maxwell Truck in cooperation with army authorities of the United States government and is laid out on a schedule that will convey the load from coast to coast at the rate of more than 100 miles a day—the time ordinarily made by passenger automobile tourists.

With Ray McNamara, Maxwell road engineer at the wheel, the truck took a ton of army supplies from an Australian liner at the San Francisco wharves, was ferried across the bay to Oakland and started on its first day's run to Sacramento, Cal.—127 miles.

As the distance from San Francisco to New York by speedometer record is 3,418.9 miles, every possible effort will be made to put the truck over the highway route in the shortest possible running time and to establish a transcontinental record in truck transport.

By this trip, a Detroit-made motor truck will for the first time, serve as the overland link in an international haul by sea and land of more than 12,000 miles—more than half way round the world.

Fairplains Festival. There will be a festival at the Fairplains church July 30. Proceeds are to go to the Red Cross. Everyone welcome.

TAKE IT IN TIME

Just as Scores of Belding People Have.

Waiting doesn't pay. If you neglect kidney backache, urinary troubles often follow. Doan's Kidney Pills are for kidney backache, and for other kidney ills. Belding citizens endorse them.

E. O. Hildebrand, 823 S. Alderman St., Belding, says: "I have had some annoyance from my back aching and being lame. I have taken Doan's Kidney Pills on different occasions and they have always given me quick and lasting relief. Doan's Kidney Pills are a good medicine and I advise anyone to get a box at Wortley & French's drug store, if suffering from kidney complaint."

Price 60c at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mr. Hildebrand had. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfrs., Buffalo, N. Y.—Adv.

Devil Answers Kaiser. (Confidential Correspondence from the Devil to the Kaiser.)

Decoded by Eugene H. Blake of the Vigilantes. Infernal Palace, Hades. Friend Wilhelm:

I see by my asbestos copy of the Berlin Lokal Anzeiger that you broke silence recently west of the battlefield of Cambrai and asked one of your officers: "What have I not done to preserve the world from such horrors?" Don't you know what folks will say to that, Wilhelm?

It is sure to bring up how you did not let Austria accept Serbia's abject surrender of her national rights to preserve peace. And that you did not accept England's offer to arbitrate and save the world from war.

Then besides, my dear Willie, everybody knows by this time that you haven't treated Belgium in a way to make for early peace. You remember I kept warning you that this is good frightfulness but bad business. You know you did not leave very many homes standing in the parts of France and Italy and Russia and Roumania where you have been. This kind of business doesn't preserve the world from horrors and you can't expect to make folks believe it does. Besides you have not spared the lives of neutrals who happened to be below your bombers or above your submarines. You have not kept your Bernstorffs, from burning in America and your von Luxburgs from "sinking without a trace."

Another thing, my dear boy, you haven't got off the neck of the German people long enough to let them make peace. The one greatest thing you have not done to preserve the world from these horrors is to give up the idea of piling up enough dead German soldiers and suffering German citizens to climb to that high throne of world power you covet. Of course I understand when you asked that question in public you were just trying to keep them fooled, but it don't still me that you put anything over by saying it. Yours for the best way out.

UNCLE SAM PRACTICES THRIFT BY PATCHING SOLDIERS' GARMENTS

Methods of thrift now enforced in the army quartermaster general's office including the repair of clothing and shoes, where possible, have cut down the issue of new clothing and shoes from 30 to 40 per cent in some instances.

The plants where the mending is done are run in connection with forts and camps by the camp quartermaster. When a soldier tears or rips a garment he turns it in to his supply officer. When the soles of his shoes wear out or the heel runs down, the shoes go back to the same officer. These garments and shoes are taken to the repair shops managed by the conservation and reclamation officer. When repaired and put in order they are returned to the original owner if possible, and if the original owner can not be located they serve some other soldier.

Hundreds of women are being employed by the war department in the work of repairing the garments of soldiers and in the laundries at camps and cantonments. Preference in this employment is given the wives, sisters and mothers of men in the service. By paying \$1 a month a soldier is entitled to a weekly bundle of laundry in which the number of articles is not limited. The women mend and repair all garments before they are laundered.

Two Eyes Are Your Birthright. Guard your eyes carefully as it is hard to see the bright side of life through a glass eye.

A janitor recently was engaged in running an elevator to an upper floor and nearing the stopping point, looked upward. As he looked up something fell in his eye. Through neglect he did not secure prompt medical attention. The result was that the eye became so seriously infected that it was found necessary to remove it in order to save the other eye.

Getting something in the eye is a frequent occurrence. Infection may result from neglect of apparently trivial cases. If the slightest irritation or soreness develops, medical attention should be secured immediately.

LOOKING OUT FOR THE BOYS

Truman H. Newberry is Thoughtful of Them Now Just As He Was in Spanish-American War Days.

"I would go the limit for Truman Newberry. He is a real man."

It was Emanuel Oliver, in charge of an elevator at the Michigan Soldiers' Home, who was speaking. "I was with Newberry on the Yosemite in the Spanish-American war. He was lieutenant; I was mess steward and under his orders. The other boys on the Yosemite feel the same way about it, too. They have reason to do so. When any of the boys were sick, Lieutenant Newberry would see to it that they had delicacies from the officers' mess. When they were broke, he provided them with money. When they were in trouble, they felt free to go to him and tell him about it, and he helped them out. After it was all over and we came back to the good old United States, some of the boys did not have funds with which to get home. It was Newberry who sent them on their homeward journey. You bet, all the old Yosemite boys swear by Newberry."

It is no different now than it was in the Spanish-American War days. Truman H. Newberry is again in service as a commander in the Third Naval District. His two boys also enlisted and are serving; one in the army, the other in the navy. Once again he is looking after the boys, and with his own sons in uniform, his interest in the men is keener than ever, if that were possible.

"His interest in and sympathy for the men of the navy is one of the finest things about this institution," says Lieutenant Joseph F. Wright, of the commissary department of Third Naval District Headquarters, at 280 Broadway, New York.

"There is almost constantly a line of young officers and blue-jackets to see the commander. The reasons for their calls show better than anything else could in what degree of esteem and admiration he is held by those under him. One lad calls to express his thanks for the opportunity, given him by Commander Newberry, of entering the officers' training school, and his determination to forge steadily ahead in the ranks of the fighting men. Another asks for advice on the books to study that he may progress in his chosen profession. He is confident that, though the commander is a busy man, he will always take time to lend a helping hand to any youngster anxious to get on. Perhaps a third will drop in to report the progress he is making in his studies to fit himself for higher rank. They all have some personal reason for feeling grateful, because the commander never fails to take an interest in what his men are doing.

"And the sight of Commander Newberry in action is an inspiring one. When one stops to consider that here is a man working with and taking orders from officers who looked to him for their orders and advancement when, as secretary of the navy, he was the commanding officer of the entire naval fighting force, one marvels at the spirit that is actuating America in this war. Commander Newberry works long hours every day, Sundays, holidays and all. He's giving the best there is in him to his country."

Illinois is the center of agricultural production of the United States says the Department of Agriculture. States of greatest production 1917 are: Iowa, \$1,330,000,000; Illinois, \$1,255,000,000; Texas, \$1,045, 000,000; Missouri, \$947,000,000; Ohio, \$851,000,000; Nebraska, \$774,000,000; Indiana, \$766,000,000; Kansas, \$735,000,000; New York, \$700,000,000; Minnesota, \$646,000,000; Pennsylvania, \$636,000,000; Georgia, \$605,000,000; Wisconsin, \$598,000,000; California, \$575,000,000; Michigan, \$534,000,000; Kentucky, \$529,000,000.

Ships were not the only thing that was launched for your Uncle Sam the 4th. A pair of husky young soldiers was launched at St. Mary's hospital in Grand Rapids that same day when twin boys were born to Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Coady. One weighed 7 lbs., 2 oz., the other 7 lbs., 6 oz. Of course Tom will have to feed them a lot of spuds and give them a lot of training before they will be big enough to be soldiers, but we will wager they will be big enough to be real soldiers by the time the war is over.—Coral News.

W. C. T. U. to Meet. Regular meeting of the W. C. T. U. Friday afternoon, July 26, at 2:30, with Mrs. Mark Brown, front street. Roll call, patriotic quotations; topic, "The Flag, Its History and What It Stands For"; leader, Mrs. Mary E. H. Coville. Visitors welcome.

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"Business and the War"

By Frank Mulholland, past president of Toledo Commerce Club and International Association of Rotary Clubs of the World. He has just returned from the Western Front.

"Marching the Home to Victory"

By Mrs. Christine Frederick, the well-known writer and founder of the "Appiccroft" experiment station. Her lecture is on winning the war in the kitchen.

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